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FOR AMBASSADOR ALAN BOYD

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SUBJECT: CAB DECISION - BRITISH FOREIGN AIR CARRIER
PERMITS

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PERTINENT EXCERPTS FROM DOT
COMMENTS TO OMB AND WHITE HOUSE ON CAB DECISION OF JUNE 16
PERTAINING TO BRITISH FOREIGN AIR CARRIER PERMITS.

QUOTE. ON JUNE 16, 1977, THE BOARD ISSUED ITS DECISION
REGARDING BRITISH FOREIGN AIR CARRIER PERMITS AND
ACCOMPANYING ORDERS FOR USE AS NEEDED BY THE PRESIDENT.
THE ACTIONS RECOMMENDED ARE OF SEVERAL TYPES, AND ARE
DESIGNED TO BE COORDINATED WITH DEVELOPMENTS IN U.S.-U.K.
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AVIATION RELATIONS UP TO, AND FOLLOWING, THE JUNE 21
EXPIRATION DATE. IN SUMMARY, THE DECISION AND ORDERS (1)
TERMINATE THE PERMITS OF BA AND BCAL UPON THE EXPIRATION OF
THE BERMUDA AGREEMENT; (2) ISSUE THE U.K. CARRIERS NEW
PERMITS THAT WILL IMMEDIATELY AUTHORIZE CHARTER SERVICES
UPON APPROVAL BY THE PRESIDENT; AND (3) PROVIDE A STATE-
MENT OF AUTHORIZATION (INITIALLY PREPARED FOR 60 DAYS) FOR

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U.K. CARRIERS TO CONDUCT SCHEDULED SERVICES UNDER THE NEWLY ISSUED PERMITS; UPON APPROVAL BY THE PRESIDENT. PARAGRAPH.

THE BOARD HAS PREPARED SEPARATE ORDERS FOR THE PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE TO EFFECTUATE EACH MEASURE DESCRIBED ABOVE. BY PROVIDING FOR SEPARATE ACTION ON PERMIT CANCELLATION, RENEWAL OF CHARTER SERVICES, AND RENEWAL OF SCHEDULED SERVICES, IT IS INTENDED THAT THE BOARD AND PRESIDENT WILL HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY TO "FINE TUNE" U.K. CARRIER RIGHTS TO THE STATUS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND RETALIATE AGAINST ANY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE U.K. GOVERNMENT TO RESTRICT U.S. CARRIER SERVICE. THEREFORE, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT NONE OF THE RECOMMENDED ORDERS BE SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT UNTIL AMBASSADOR BOYD HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HIS RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO EACH, BASED UPON THE STATUS OF THE TALKS. REPEAT. THEREFORE, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT NONE OF THE RECOMMENDED ORDERS BE SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT UNTIL AMBASSADOR BOYD HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TOMAKE HIS RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO EACH, BASED UPON THE STATUS OF THE TALKS. FURTHERMORE, IT SHOULD BE UNDER-STOOD THAT IT MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED ORDERS PIECEMEAL, AS THE TALKS PROGRESS. AS THE CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE, IT MAY ALSO BE NECESSARY FOR THE PRESIDENT TO SEND INDIVIDUAL ORDERS BACK TO THE BOARD FOR AMENDMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BILATERAL NEGOTIATING TEAM. . . PARAGRAPH

ANY U.S. RESPONSE SHOULD FIRST AWAIT U.K. ACTION. WE CONFIDENTIAL

SHOULD FIRST RUN THROUGH THE VARIOUS ACTIONS THE BRITISH MAY TAKE AND THEN DECIDE WHAT THE U.S. RETALIATORY STEP

SHOULD BE. UNQUOTE. GDS. VANCE

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